

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The drawings are objected to as not showing every feature of the claims, namely the hose storage device. The hose storage device (page 3,line 3) is designated as element 11 and shown in originally filed Figure 1.

Claims 1, 5 and 6 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Langley et al. Langley is no more than the typical prior art which requires a system to be engineered from a multitude of discrete parts and is not the sort of plug and play system contemplated and claimed. It is not mounted on a drum as claimed or suited for mounting on a drum and there is no showing or suggestion of how to do so. It also shows pump and meter separated by elements 18 and 19 rather than the flow meter being located “in the pump housing” as claimed by Applicants. Langley also does not show a unitary device as claimed but rather separate pieces plumbed together.

As to claim 5, while Langley may show a check valve 27, it does not show or describe such operating at a “predetermined non-negligible, non-zero pressure” as described and claimed by Applicants. While any check valve may require some pressure to open, a non spring-loaded check will open at trivially small pressures. The amended claim language is intended to complement the preferred embodiment which requires 20 psi to open.

Similarly, there is no disclosure of the limitation of claim 6 wherein the dispense valve communicates with the flow meter through said dispense hose. While both valve and flow meter may be present, there is no discussion or suggestion of communication between them. The office action cites language at Col. 20, lines 48-56 of Langley but Langley only has eight columns. The

undersigned examined the other columns at the cited line numbers but found no relevant language.

Claims 1-4 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Few '357. Few again is no more than the typical prior art which requires a system to be engineered from a multitude of discrete parts and is not the sort of plug and play system contemplated and claimed. It is not suited for mounting on a drum and there is no suggestion to do so. It also does not have the meter and pump as part of a single unit.

Few further shows the dispense valve as part of the meter and does not show the dispense valve connected to the meter/pump by a hose as described and claimed by Applicants nor does it show a hose storage device or hose reel as part of the dispenser (Few shows it as a separate element) as set forth in claims 3 and 4.

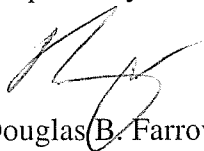
Claim 7 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Langley in view of Few '364. It is submitted that Langley shows all of the claimed features except the use of wireless communication between the flow meter and the dispensing valve.

In addition of the limitations lacking in Langley as set forth above with respect to claim 1, it is submitted that even if Few were combined with Langley (notwithstanding the lack of suggestion to do so), the claimed invention would not result. The remote pendant cited is not part of the dispense valve. There is no suggestion as to how or why one skilled in the art might incorporate such into Langley which shows no display or the like on dispense valve 24.

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Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the claims as amended patentably distinguish over the rejection of record. Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,



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